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From the Evening Poſt, Aug. 6.

Paris, Aug. 10.

ON the 4th Inſtant the King went abroad for the firſt Time ſince his late Illneſs. The 5th his Majeſty, after having been in the Council of Diſpatches, went out again to give Directions for their being entertained with a ſplendid Dinner, the 5th and 6th, thoſe of the 1d and 3d Claſs waited alſo on the ſame Account upon his Majeſty, who ordered a Sum of Money to be diſtributed amongſt them. On the firſt Inſtant the Queen began to find her ſelf indiſpoſed, but did not declare it then. But the 4th in the Morning her Majeſty was very ill, inſomuch that her Phyſicians thought proper to have her blooded in the Foot, upon which her Fever abated a little; but it returned again in the Evening in a violent Manner: Whereupon it was reſolved to blood her in the Foot again, which was done accordingly on the 5th at 7 in the Morning, but without Succeſs, for the Fever did not abate; therefore the ſame Operation was repeted once more on the 6th at one in the Morning, then the Fever abated, and her Majeſty ſlept till 7 that Morning, and when ſhe awak'd found herſelf pretty well. Her Majeſty has ſince taken a Purge, the Succeſs of which was according to wiſh; and 'tis ſaid the Bark which her Majeſty takes will entirely conquer the Fever.

On the 8th Inſt. died in this City the Dutcheſs of Orleans, univerſally lamented, aged 21 Years, 8 Months, and 28 Days, being born the 10th of November 1704. This Princeſs was Daughter of Lewis-William Margrave of Baden-Baden, who died the 4th of January 1707, and of Frances-Sybilla Auguſta of Saxe-Lawemburg. She was married to the Duke of Orleans the 15th of June 1724: And by this Marriage ſhe has left Iſſue the Duke of Chartres, who was born at Verſailles the 12th of May 1725, and the Princeſs of whom ſhe was delivered on the 5th of this Month.

From the Daily Journal, Aug. 6.

Hague, Aug. 5. They write from Madrid, That the King of Spain has not yet anſwered Colonel Stanhope's Memorial about the Duke de Riperda. They add, that the Troops in Biſcay are to go on board the Men of War equipt there, and according to ſome, are deſigned for the Havana.

Warſaw, July 24. On the 20th Inſt. the Count de Lagnaski returned from his Embaſſy at Rome, but laſt from the Court of Vienna, where he executed ſome Commiſſions. We hear he will be appointed Lord Chamberlain of the Houſhold, in room of the Count de Vicedom, who was killed in a Duel with the Count de St. Giles. The Abbot Miakoski is arrived from Rome, and has brought the Electoral Prince of Saxony the Pope's Preſent of a Hat and a Sword bleſs'd by his Holineſs. Mynheer Beſtuchoff, Miniſter of Ruſſia, is come hither to take care of the Interſts of that Court.

Antwerp, Aug. 5. The Sale of the Merchandices at Oſtend begins this Day.

From the London Gazette, Aug. 6.

Hague, Aug. 13. On the 9th Inſt. Mr. Finch, his Britannic Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, and the Marquis de Fenelon, Ambaſſador and Plenipotentiary or his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, ſigned with the Deputies of the States General the Act of the Acceſſion of the States General to the Treaty of Hanover. Aſſoon as the States of Holland have come to a Reſolution touching the Augmentation of the Troops, the other Provinces ſeem to agree. Yeſterday the Marquis de Fenelon gave a magnificent Entertainment to the Miniſters of the Powers concerned in the Treaty of Hanover, and to the Deputies of the Seven Provinces, and this Night he gives a Supper and a Ball; as well on account of the ſigning the Act of Acceſſion, as for the Recovery of the King his Maſter.

Whitehall, Aug. 5. Letters from Sir Charles Wager dated the 11th paſt, give Account, That he continued with the Squadron of his Majeſty's Ships under his Command in the Bay of Revel, having the Daniſh Squadron with him; That from the Intelligence he had received, he judged the Ruſſia did not deſign to make any Attempts this their Naval Force being inferior to his; they indeed more Ships than they have yet fitted

but they could not Mann them with any tolerable Number of Seamen, without disabling those already Mann'd. The Russians were doing every Thing they could to fortifie their Ports and defend their Ships; at Revel they had made a new Battery, and lay Day and Night aboard their Ships in the Mole and upon the Batteries, for fear of a Surprize. In the mean time Sir Charles Wager had Liberty to furnish his Squadron as often as he pleas'd with fresh Provisions.

From the Flying Post, Aug. 6.

Madrid, July 23. 'Tis said the Ambassadors of Great Britain and Holland will protest against the Mark of Distinction which the Court intends to shew to Count Coningseck, Ambassador of the Emperor, in giving him an Apartment in the Castle of Balsain during the Time that their Majesties design to reside at St. Ildefonso; pretending that the same Distinction ought to be allowed to them, unless the said Count be declar'd Minister of the Royal Family, as was observed in regard to the Marshal de Tesse when Ambassador of France. The Bull-Fight is at this Time begun, and the Court will set out Tomorrow for St. Ildefonso.

From Mist's Weekly Journal, Aug. 6.

They write from Amsterdam, That the Biscayers have been more successful in their Greenland Fishery this Year, than any of their Neighbours, they having with 24 Ships caught 66 Whales; which they attribute to the Diligence of the Officers and Sailors, as having no Wages, but are under Contract of *No Purchase no Pay*. And the Bremeners had 13 Ships, and 13 Whales and an half.

There was brought home in one of our Greenland Ships, the Head of a Sea Lion, of a large Size, which is looked upon as a great Curiosity, the like not having been seen in this Country; it is presented to Sir Hanse Sloan.

As a Lame Man was lately shewing Tricks with a Bear, over against Suffolk Street, near Charing-Cross, the Creature being hungry, or ill humoured, shewed his Master such a Trick as was like to have cost him his Life, for his Muzzle being somewhat loose, he bit him grievously by his Stump Hand, and with his Paws tore his Arm and Face in a sad Manner.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, Aug. 6.

Petersburg, July 24. By an Express from our General commanding at Derbent, we have Account, That the Czarian's Forces, have defeat a Body of Rebellious Mountaineers, and obliged their Chief, Prince Aldigome Schamchall, to submit himself to her Czarish Majesty's Protection.

Vienna, July 31. The Corpse of Prince Maximilian of Hanover is deposited in a leaden Coffin in the Church of the Imperial Court, till the Intention of the King of G. Britain be known thereanent. By his Will, which he had made in his former Illness, he appointed the High Chancellor Count Zinzendorf his Executor, and the Empress Dowager Amelia universal Heiress, but made several Legacies, particularly a Foundation for Invalid Officers, 12000 Guilders to the Jesuits at Bon, and 24000 for his Domesticks. 'Tis also said that he has left considerably to Prince Ferdinand Albert of Bevern, and to the Prince of Modena.

London, Aug. 6. 'Tis said his Grace the Duke of Argile is to have the Royal Regiment of Blue Guards; and the Duke of Bolton to be made Governour of the Isle of Wight.

This Morning between 12 and one a Woman of the Town was beat so unmercifully by a Footman in St. Martin's Lane, that 'tis thought she cannot live. The Fellow made his Escape thro' two or three Watchmen, by knocking them down. The Woman being ask'd the Reason of her being so cruelly us'd, said, It was because she would not *oblige* him.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, Aug. 9.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France.

PAtrick Gordon, Esq; arrived in June last at Philadelphia, being appointed Governor of Pensilvania in room of Sir William Keith: Who in his Speech to the General Assembly the 31st of May last, said, That it was that very Day Nine Years complete, since he arrived at Philadelphia to take upon him the Command of that Province, which, during that Time, had enjoyed all Tranquillity at Home, acquired Reputation Abroad, and was now in a more flourishing Conditition than at any Time before; That their Rights and Privileges have inviolably been preserv'd, and that 'twas well known how diligently he had all along supported the Authority of the Magistracy, with repeted and distinguishing Marks of Favour to the People called *Quakers*; and therefore, they could not but be of opinion, that to charge him with being an Enemy to these People, was a monstrous Composition of Falshood and black Ingratitude: That if there was any

any Thing wanting, which might be in his Power to do for the future Service of the good People of Penſilvania, they ſhould command all the Faculties which belong to a moſt grateful and willing Heart in their Service: Adding, That as long as the Remembrance of Things publickly tranſacted during his Adminiſtration, can be faithfully preſerved, he doubted not but the Example would be both uſeful and acceptable hereafter, to thoſe who truly hate Oppreſſion, and love the Things that are juſt.

We ſtill hear of Perſons being taken up and committed to Priſon for the deteſtable Sin of Sodomy, amongſt whom is one Mugg, who kept a Houſe near Piccadilly for Entertainment of Perſons to commit that abominable Crime. We do not know what ſome People mean by their Remarks, as that certain Perſons make a great Appearance now who not very long ago were in no better Rank than that of Footmen.

The preſent Poſture of Affairs abroad, are ſuch as give no Occaſion to apprehend any Rupture this Year. The Deſigns of thoſe who were for raiſing new Troubles in Europe being prevented by the timely Proviſion made by the Government, in ſending out ſuch formidable Squadrons of Men of War to thoſe Parts as were judged moſt requiſite for producing the deſirable Ends. Mean Time an Accommodation in the North is earneſtly wiſhed for, that the Charge may not be entailed upon the Nation of ſending a Fleet to the Baltick; however the Government is induced to take theſe Steps from ſolid and weighty Reaſons, notwithſtanding the *Liberty* ſome People take in their Diſcourſe thereupon, and their *ſly Inſinuations* with reſpect to the Dutchies of Bremen and Verden.

The Aſſiento, a rich Ship belonging to the S. S. Company, is arrived from Buenos Aires, whence ſhe came out the 10th of May laſt, and has been two Years on her Voyage, reports that the Syria, another rich Ship belonging to the ſaid Company, who's Stock is 106 1 half per Cent. without the Dividend, was to ſail within a few Days after her. S. S. Annuities 100 1 half per Cent. Bank 128 1 half. India 148 1 half. Lottery Tickets 6 ſh 6. Diſcount.

Mr. Henley, called Orator Henley, continues his Lectures with great Succeſs to himſelf, notwithſtanding the ſeveral Pamphlets that have been publiſhed againſt him. His Lectures laſt Sunday Morning was on the Excellency of the Chriſtian Religion, and in the Afternoon on the Force and Efficacy of the Principles of Natural Religion, his Congregation conſiſts of 200 Perſons, each of which pay one ſh. for Admiſſion. The ſix Greenland Ships belonging to our S. S. Company, remain ſtill on their Fiſheries, and Advice is come, that one of them named *The Induſtry*, has taken four Whales.

This Day died the Dutcheſs of Grafton.

P. S. The Engliſh at Meſſina are ſelling all their Merchandice at 25 per Cent. Loſs. And the Viceroy has given Orders to augment the Fortifications of theſe Parts.

From the St. James's Evening Poſt, Aug. 9.

Stockholm, July 19. We have received Advice, that Admiral Wager had again ſent an Officer to Petersburg, to demand the Czarina's final Reſolution, that he may take his Meaſures accordingly.

Hague, Aug. 13. Mr. Finch Envoy Extraordinary of the K. of G. Britain, the Marquis de Fenelon Miniſter of France, and Mynheer Van Meynderſhagen Envoy of Pruſſia, were invited to a Conference with their High Mightineſſes Committee for Foreign Affairs on Friday laſt; and after the Act of Acceſſion was read, they all ſigned it except the Pruſſian Miniſter, who deſir'd to be excuſed at that Time, becauſe he had not yet received his Maſter's Orders ſo to do. The Occaſion of this Delay is variouſly talk'd of; but ſome think General Seckendorf's Journey to Berlin may have produc'd an Alteration in the Sentiments of that Court.

London, Aug. 9. Three rebuilt Ships of War will be launched this Month at Deptford, viz. a 3d, a 4th, and a 5th-rate.

From the Evening Poſt, Aug. 9.

Hamburg, Aug. 9. Here is Advice from Peterſburg, That a conſiderable Number of Troops were put on board (all of a ſudden) 150 Ruſſian Galleys in that Port; and that at the ſame Time, the Ruſſian Miniſter at Stockholm acquainted that Court with it, that the Swedes may not be under any Apprehenſion, in caſe the ſaid Galleys ſhould come into the Scheren.

From the Whitehall Evening-Poſt, Aug. 9.

Paris, Aug. 5. All the Engliſh in this City have been forbid to viſit the late Biſhop of Rocheſter, becauſe, 'tis ſaid, he has openly declared for the Pretender.

Paris, Aug. 14. Soon after the Death of the Dutcheſs of Orleans, the Duke of Orleans and the Dutcheſs his Mother retired into the Monaſtery of Mary Magdalene de Treſnet, where the young Queen Dowager viſits them Incog.

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Madrid, July 24. Some Troopers are marching towards the Coasts of this Kingdom, narrowly to observe the Motions of the English Squadron, which is expected in the Mediterranean.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶+¶ There is to be run for at *Huntly-Caſtle*, upon the Second Thurſday of September next, and to be continued Yearly thereafter, a *PLATE* of Ten Pound Sterl. Value, given by His Grace the DUKE OF GORDON; by any Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, not exceeding Thirteen Hands and Two Inches high, to be meaſured any Time the Week before Running (with their Shoes on) in Preſence of a Judge to be appointed by HIS GRACE for that Effect. All Horſes to be admited to run, muſt be at Huntly ſome Time before the Sun ſet on the Thurſday preceeding the Day of the Race, and their Arrival to be intimate to HIS GRACE's Factor at Huntly, and there to be kept till the Race be over: And the winning Horſe to be ſold for One Hundred Merks, if requir'd by the Judge of the Race. The ordinary Courſe of the Race is to be run Twice round at one Heat. No Horſe or Mare that has once won the ſaid Plate, will thereafter be permitted to run. Each Rider, before Running, is to pay a Crown, to be diſtributed to the Poor.

¶+¶ That upon Friday the 29th of July, there was ſtoln or ſtrayed from the Holme, in the Pariſh of Avendale, a Light colour'd yellow Grey-hound BITCH, of about 18. Months old, belonging to His Grace the Duke of HAMILTON. Any Perſon who can give an Account of the ſaid BITCH ſo as ſhe may be recovered, may call at Mr. Mitchell's Porter of the Abbey, at Patrick Finlay his Shop at the Head of Blackfriar Wynd, or at the Author of this Paper, ſhall be ſufficiently rewarded and no Queſtions asked.

¶+¶ To be ſet in whole or in Parcels, five Ploughs of the Land of the Barony of KINPUNT, ſix Miles Weſt of Edinburgh; one Hundred Acres thereof incloſed and ſubdivided, each Plough having a convenient Onſtead, and near the Water of Almond: A Houſe and Offices for Accommodation of a Gentleman. Enquire at the Manſion Houſe of Kinpunt.

Edinburgh, 25th July 1726.

By Order of the MAGISTRATES.

¶ That a GALLOWAY PLATE, given by the Town of Leith, value *L.* 25 *ſterl.* will be run for on the Sands of Leith on the *Seventeenth of September* next, by Galloways carrying Nine Stones Engliſh, including Whip, Saddle and Bridle; to run 3 Heats, four Miles each, or twice round the Sands.—— The Horſes are to ſtart betwixt the Hours of 10 & 11 before Noon. The other Conditions and Rules for running of this Plate, are the ſame with thoſe for running the City of Edinburgh's Plate; with this Difference, That each Perſon ſhall at Booking pay only One Guinea.

¶+¶ That the KING's PLATE, value 100 Guineas, will be run for on the Sands of Leith the *Nineteenth of September* next, by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding carrying Eleven Stones Engliſh, allowing Whip, Saddle and Bridle to be Part thereof; to run Three Heats four Miles, or twice round the Sands.—— The Horſes to ſtart betwixt 11 & 12 in the Forenoon.—— No Joſtling or Croſſing to be allowed; and all Diſputes are to be determined by the Lord Provoſt and Magiſtrates, who are to be with the Flags at the Starting and Diſtance-poſts.—— The Diſtance-poſt is to be Tenſcore Yards from the Starting-poſt.—— The Rider, after each Heat, is to take off his Saddle himſelf, and carry it with him the Moment he diſmounts to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing a Pound for Waſte. Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat, for Rubbing.—— If three ſingle Horſes gains each of them a Heat, the Horſe that gains the laſt Heat, gets the Plate: Or, if any Horſe gains the firſt two Heats, he gets the Plate.—— If any Horſe, Mare or Gelding runs on the wrong *Side* of any of the Poſts, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the ſame Way, and run right, or be adjudged as diſtanced.—— If the Water comes in upon the Courſe, the Poſts are to be brought in during Rubbing, at the Direction of the Judges.—— The Flag at the Starting-poſt to be dropt the Moment the firſt Horſe's Head is ſeen to be paſt it, at the End of each Heat. And in caſe, by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands ſhould allow but a ſhort Courſe, it ſhall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands.—— The Flag at the Diſtance-poſt to be dropt at the ſame Time with that at the Starting poſt; and all the Horſes that are not ſeen to be paſt the Diſtance-poſt at that Time, are adjudged as diſtanced, and have no Right to run again.

¶ The *Silver Plate* given by the Town of Edinburgh, to the Value of 50 L. Sterling, will be run for on the Sands of Leith, on the 20th of *September* next, by any Horſe Mare or Gelding, carrying ten *Stone* Engliſh Weight, allowing Whip, *Sadle*, and Bridle, to run three Heats, each Heat being four Miles, or twice round the *Sands*.—— The Horſes are to ſtart betwixt Twelve and One Mid-day. No Joſtling or Croſſing to be allowed, and all Diſputes are to be determined by the Lord Provoſt, and Magiſtrates, who are to be with the Flags, at the Starting and Diſtance Poſts.—— The Diſtance Poſt is to be ten ſcore Yards from the Starting Poſt.—— The Rider after each Heat is to take off his *Sadle* himſelf, and to carry it with him that Moment he diſmounts, to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing one *Pound* for Waſte.—— Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat for Rubbing.—— If three ſingle Horſes gains each of them a Heat, the Horſe that gains the laſt Heat gets the *Plate*, or if any Horſe gains the firſt two Heats, gets the *Plate*.—— If any Horſe or Gelding runs on the wrong *Side* of any of the *Poſts*, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the ſame Way, and turn right, or elſe they are adjudged as diſtanced.—— If the Water comes in upon the Courſe, the *Poſts* are to be brought in during the Time of Rubbing, at the Directions of the Judges.—— The Flag at the Starting *Poſt* to be dropt the Moment the firſt *Horſes* Head is ſeen to be paſt it, at the End of each Heat; and in caſe by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands ſhould allow but a ſhort Courſe, it ſhall be in the *Power* of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands.—— That the Horſes which are to run for this Plate, being three at leaſt, muſt be at Leith eight *Days* before the Days of the Race, and be booked fourty eight Hours before running, and to pay two Guineas each at Booking.

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